CSWC Operational Period Summary 1800 February 27 2015 to 0600 February 28 2015

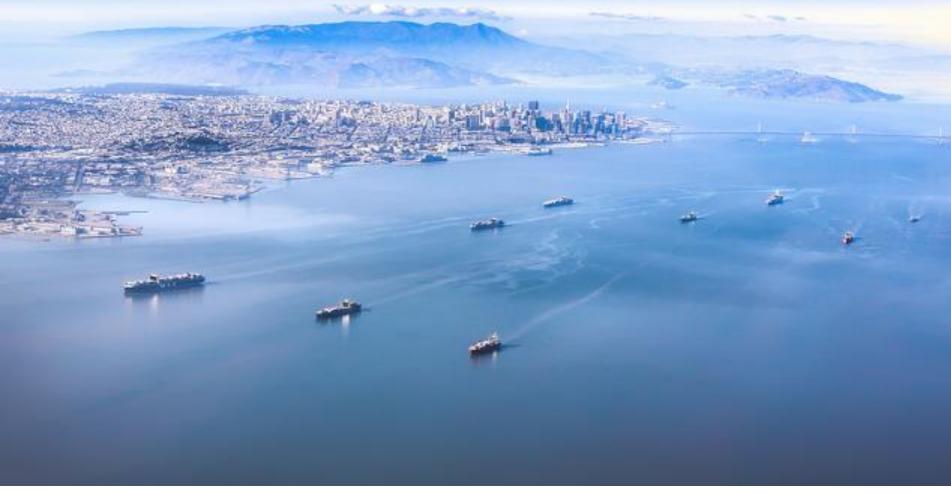




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SITUATION SUMMARY

Significant Events - National

• (CNN) – Congress barely meets DHS deadline: The House approved a one-week extension of funding for the Department of Homeland Security, sending the proposal to the White House and avoiding a partial shutdown just hours before a Friday night deadline. The bill does nothing to resolve the central issue that has turned the agency's funding into a political football: immigration. Republicans will again push to tie money for DHS to legislation rolling back President Barack Obama's immigration orders. Senate Democrats will block that effort, ensuring another tumultuous week on Capitol Hill and more uncertainty for the hundreds of thousands of people who work at DHS.

Significant Events - International

(CNN) – Shaky Ukraine ceasefire takes hold, but tensions rise over gas supply: A dispute over natural gas supply flared Friday between Russia and Ukraine, even as a ceasefire between Ukrainian forces and pro-Russian separatists in eastern Ukraine appeared to be taking hold. Both sides in the conflict have begun withdrawing their heavy weaponry from the front line of the conflict, in line with a peace deal agreed to in Minsk, Belarus, two weeks ago. There has also been a reduction in the fighting between the two sides, although some artillery fire can still be heard. But the ceasefire remains fragile.

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Weather of Concern

• A cold low pressure system moving into California through Monday could bring snow to elevations as low as 4500 feet which could affect travel through the mountains and passes of San Diego, Riverside and San Bernardino Counties.

Active Weather Warnings, Watches and Advisories by County: http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/sto/brief/wwa_bc_cal.php

Cal EOC Incident - 2014 Drought

• SOC / Inland REOC remains activated in support of 2014 Drought



WEATHER

WEATHER SYNOPSIS BY REGION:

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AND CENTRAL COASTAL AREAS:

Eureka Weather:

An upper level trough will continue to bring showers and a slight chance for thunderstorms to the area today. High pressure will bring dry weather for Sunday with another chance for light rain Monday. High pressure returns Tuesday and persists through much of the week.

Medford Weather:

The upper trough moving south overnight will be in northern California early Saturday morning. The upper trough will move south Saturday and precipitation will decrease from north to south and skies will clear out. The upper flow will turn northeast and usher in a colder, drier air mass. Precipitation could linger into the afternoon for the north facing slopes of the Siskiyou's due to northerly upslope flow, but it will be light and with warming roads it should not accumulate. Saturday night skies will be clear and we'll see temperatures take a nosedive. Dry and milder weather returns Sunday.

Reno Weather:

Snow showers associated with a winter system will continue through the weekend. Accumulating snow and difficult travel are likely in the Sierra with lighter amounts and more localized travel issues in western Nevada. This system will exit Sunday with a weaker system expected Monday afternoon keeping temperatures below normal. Dry conditions and a warming trend are expected later next week.

San Francisco Weather:

A storm system will continue to bring showers and cooler temperatures to the area through Saturday night. Another weak system will bring additional shower chances to the area on Monday.

WEATHER

WEATHER SYNOPSIS BY REGION:

CENTRAL CALIFORNIA AND SOUTHERN SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY

Sacramento Weather:

A weather system is impacting California today with cooler and wetter weather. Snow will impact travel in the mountains above 3500 feet, and more so above 5000 feet. Showers dissipate on Sunday then a second wave of wet weather arrives Monday.

Hanford Weather:

A pair of storm systems tracking south into central California will bring cool, wet weather to much of the region through the weekend and into early next week.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA:

Los Angeles Weather:

A cold low pressure system will bring showers, possible thunderstorms and mountain snow to the area this weekend. After a brief break, another cold system will bring similar weather late Monday morning through early Tuesday. Dry weather is expected late Tuesday through Friday. There will be a warming trend, with daytime temperatures likely above normal by Thursday.

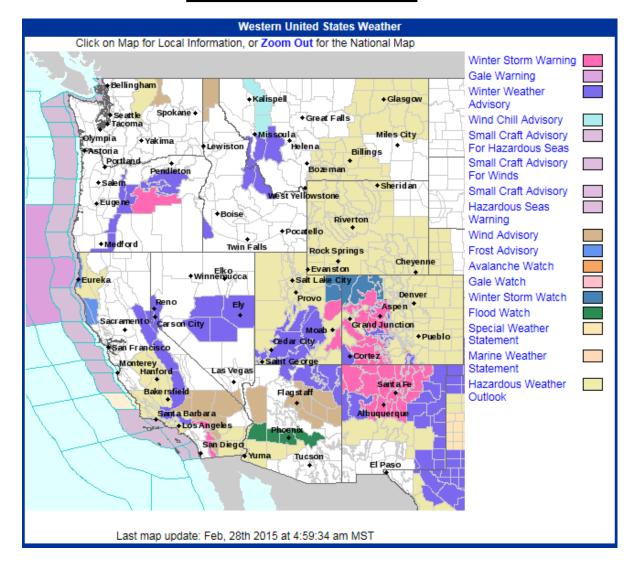
Extreme Southwestern California Including Orange, San Diego, Western Riverside and Southwestern San Bernardino Counties:

A pair of low pressure systems from the north will bring cooler weather with periods of showers into early Tuesday, decreasing Tuesday afternoon. There will be strong gusty west winds in the mountains and deserts into this afternoon. Dry with a warming trend for Wednesday into next weekend with periods of locally gusty northeast winds possible for Thursday into next weekend.

Southeast California Weather:

A storm system will drop south across California today into tonight resulting in gusty winds and possible showers across the area. As the storm drops off the coast of southern California on Sunday it will push a band of steadier precipitation into the Mojave desert that will last into Sunday night. Elsewhere across the area on Sunday showers are possible. Unsettled weather will last across the area into Tuesday night before a drying trend takes place.

STATE WEATHER MAP



FIRE ACTIVITY

Preparedness Levels

National Preparedness Level 1

Northern California

Preparedness Level 1, Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 1

Southern California

Preparedness Level 2, Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 2

California Fire Potential & Weather Maps

Southern California 7 Day Significant Fire Potential

http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/8

Northern California 7 Day Significant Fire Potential

http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/10

California Fire Weather Map Watches and Warnings

http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/firewx/main.php

NWS California River Forecast Center:

http://www.cnrfc.noaa.gov/



RECOVERY ACTIVITIES

Round Fire, Inyo and Mono Counties

- Recovery Individual Assistance continues to work with Mono County on the Initial Damage Estimate.
- The American Red Cross and Salvation Army continue to offer their support services.



CAL OES 2014 DROUGHT

Cal EOC Incident - 2014 Drought

- The SOC, Inland, Coastal, and Southern REOCs and the Santa Barbara County EOC are activated in support of the Drought State of Emergency and continue to monitor the situation.
- The Governor issued an Executive Order on 09/19/14, to streamline relief efforts for families with drinking water shortages due to drought. Specifically, through the California Disaster Assistance Act, to provide temporary water supplies to households without water for drinking and/or sanitation purposes.
- CDAA 2014 Drought Fact Sheet and Frequently Asked Questions provided to Regions for reference and distribution.
- Cal OES Recovery continues to coordinate a biweekly state interagency conference call regarding drought community impacts.
- Regional (Inland, Costal, Southern) conference calls will occur once a month beginning 02/09/15.



CAL OES MISSIONS

Cal OES Missions - Closed

• 2015-LAW-8792, 02/24/2015, 2200 hrs., San Diego County Sheriff's Department (SDSD) is requesting resources to assist in locating and overdue hiker who has not been heard from since 2/12/2014. M/P is described as a 28 year old male who was reported missing to SDSD on 2/24/2014. SDSD is requesting 30 ground searchers and a airborne repeater to assist with communications. California Civil Air Patrol is responding with ground searchers and the requested communications equipment and aircraft. Update: 2/27/2015, 1612 hours, SDSD advises all mutual aid resources have been released. M/P is still outstanding, but SDSD is not requesting any further mutual aid assistance as they will continue the search with their own resources. Mission Closed.



Mission:

We protect lives and property, build capabilities, and support our communities for a resilient California.

We achieve our mission by serving the public through effective collaboration in preparing for, protecting against, responding to, recovering from, and mitigating the impacts of all hazards and threats.